RECEIVED **CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

914 332 0615

P.01

FEB 0 9 2006

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL

To Commissioner For Patents
Enclosed herewith is a Form PTO-1449, any required copies of documents listed thereon, and any concise explanation of their relevance is indicated below per 37 CFR 1.97.

Examiner Name Attorney Docket Number

Application Number 10/522,289 Filing Date 07/29/2002 First Named Inventor Wolfgang O. Budde Group Art Unit

DE 030047

	図 Pleas Account	e charge any require No. <u>14-1270.</u>	d fee under §1.17(i) or	§1.17(p) o	r any other	required fee (ex	ecept the issue fee) to	
1.	I certify that these documents were first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months ago.							
2.	☐ I certify that none of these documents were cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned after making reasonable inquiry, nor of these documents was known to any individual designated in §1.56(c) more than three (3) months ago.							
	Applicant hereby petitions under §1.97(d) that this IDS be considered after final Action or Notice of Allowance, pays the fee under §1.17(p) as indicated below, and I certify 1. or 2. as indicated above.							
	A fee under §1.17(p) is not required under §1.97(c), after the first Action on the merits and more than (3) months after the date of application or RCE, because I certify 1. or 2. as indicated above.							
	A copy of the citations is not required because they were previously submitted or cited in the parent application (or in U.S. patent application Ser. No relied on for an earlier effective filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120).							
	A copy of the U.S. patent(s) and patent application publication(s) in all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003, and in all international applications that have entered the national stage under 35 USC § 371 after June 30, 2003 under 37 CFR 1.491(b), are not required.							
	A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English document, as understood by the individual designated in §1.56(c) most knowledgeable about the contents, is enclosed per §1.98(a)(3).							
The cor §1.56(c	ncise expl) most kn	anation of the releva owledgeable about t	nce of any non-English he contents, is that the	document	, as under s/was:	stood by the indi	ividual designated in	
cited in the specification or considered in drafting the specification of this application;								
previously submitted or cited in the parent application (or in a related patent application Ser. NoFiling Date:;								
cited as an "X" "Y" or "A" document in a foreign Patent Office search report in a foreign counterpart application, a copy of which report is also enclosed.								
		SIGN	ATURE OF APPLICANT, AT	TTORNEY, O	R AGENT R	EQUIRED		
Vame (Prin	t Type)	Michael E. Belk			Registration N	lo. (Attorney/Agent)	33,357	
Signature		murkach	Rell		Date 2-9-06			
		;						
h (The sales and the		CERTIFICATE OF MAIL	ING OR TRA	NSMISSIO.	N		
hereby certify that this is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mall. In an envelope addressed to: Commissioner For Patents, P.O. BOX 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office tal. # :(571) 273-8300 on the date below:								
Vame (Prini	Тура)	EDNA CHAPA	0,					
Signature		Mar	Chadre		Data	2/9/2	6	

RECEIVED **CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

914 332 0615

P. 02

FEB 0 9 2006

PTQ/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0551-0031
U.S. Patent and Tradement Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number. Complete if Known Substitute for form 1449/PTO Application Number 10/522,289 Filing Date 07/29/2002 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE Wolfgang O. Budde First Named Inventor STATEMENT BY APPLICANT Art Unil (Use as many sheets as necessary) Examiner Name Attorney Docket Number | DE 030047 Sheet 1

Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number	U. S. PAYENT DO Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Unes, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ^{2 (Flacen)}			
		US-	}		
		us.			
		ÚS-			
		US-			
		US			
		US-			
		US-			
		U8-			
		US-	 	-	
		US-			
		DS-			
		US-		2	
		jus-			
_		ins-			
		US-	†		
		us ·	 		-
		US-	 		
		ùs-	 		
•		: US-	 		

Examiner	Clan	Foreign Patent Document	IGN PATENT DOCU		The California Communication	1
initials*	No."	Poreign Patient Occument Country Code ^{p*} Number ⁴ "find Code ^p (If known)	Dete	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevent Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T₫
			MM-DD-YYYY			
	1	EP 1024626 A	08J/02/200	IBM		
		•				
		•				L
		•				L
		:				L
						П

-			
Examiner Signature		Date Considered	

*EXAMINER: Initial if, reference considered, whether or not distion is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through chation if not in conformance and not considered, include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. *Applicant's unique clied on designation number (optional). *See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.cov or MPEP 901.04. *Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WPO Standard ST.3). *For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. *Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WiPO Standard ST.15 if possible. *Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to fite (and by the USPTO to process) in application. Confidentially is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the Individual case. Any comments on the amount of time your require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Palant and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450. Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, cell 1-800-PTO-0199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.